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Inventor: Lawrence N. Chapman, et al.

Serial No.: 09/726,367

Filed: November 29, 2000

For: BACKWARDS COMPATIBLE EAL-TIME PROGRAM GUIDE CAPACITY INCREASE

> Notice of Appeal (in duplicate)

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PATENT
Docket No. PD-990258**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Date: April 6, 2006

Lawrence N. Chapman, et al.

Serial No.: 09/726,367

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Filed: September 29, 2000

Examiner: Johnny Ma

For: BACKWARDS COMPATIBLE REAL-
TIME PROGRAM GUIDE CAPACITY INCREASE**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (37 C.F.R. § 1.191)**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner
mailed December 15, 2005, and Advisory of March 20, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1 - 34.

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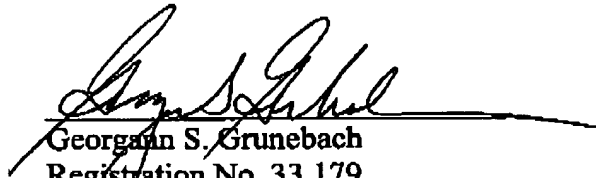
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This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

The fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is \$500.00. Applicants respectfully petition for a one month extension of time to respond from March 20, 2006 to April 20, 2006. The fee for a one month extension of time is \$120.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$620.00, and any additional fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. This request is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,


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